

# Nuclear TMDs at CLAS12

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## Outline

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- nuclear medium and partonic transverse momenta
- TMDs in SIDIS
- $\phi$ -modulation of the SIDIS cross section and asymmetries
- benchmark on a proton target with HERMES data
- **GOAL** : working model that can be supplemented with nuclear effect to study the modification of the asymmetries in SIDIS on nuclear targets

## Transverse momentum in nuclear reactions

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- Let us consider the semi inclusive process :  $l + A \rightarrow l + \pi^+ X$ 
  - PDFs modification inside nucleus
  - modification of fragmentation
- $f_q^A(x, k_\perp) \approx \frac{A}{\pi \Delta_{2F}} \int d^2 \ell_\perp e^{-(\vec{k}_\perp - \vec{\ell}_\perp)^2 / \Delta_{2F}} f_q^N(x, \ell_\perp)$
- total average squared transverse momentum broadening  $\Delta_{2F} = \int d\xi_N^- \hat{q}_F(\xi_N)$
- $\hat{q}_F(\xi_N)$  is the quark transport parameter.
- This contribution is directly linked with the final state interaction increase expected in a nucleus compare to a proton target.
- In a pure parton energy loss model,  $\hat{q}_F(\xi_N)$  encodes the effect of the nuclear material on an outgoing quark, while the fragmentation functions are considered unchanged.

## The transport parameter

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- The transport parameter is widely used
  - in the heavy ion collision community and
  - in the hadronization community
- fundamental parameter governing the energy loss of partons crossing QCD matter.
- It is defined as the average transverse momentum square acquired by a parton per unit of length of nuclear material crossed.
- Interestingly, the quark transport parameter has been directly related to the gluon density in the nucleus:

$$\hat{q}_F(\xi_N) = \frac{2\pi^2 \alpha_s}{N_c} \rho_N^A(\xi_N) [x f_g^N(x)]_{x=0}$$

where  $\rho_N^A(\xi_N)$  is the spatial nucleon number density inside the nucleus and  $f_g^N(x)$  is the gluon distribution function in a nucleon.

## Strategy

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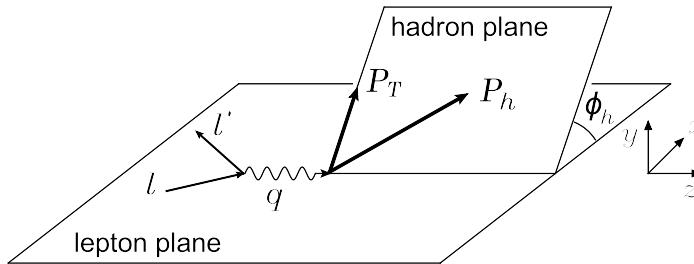
- IF partonic transverse momenta are sensitive to the transport coefficient  
THEN the most sensitive terms in SIDIS cross section are the  $\phi$ -dependent ones.
- THEREFORE  $\hat{q}$  leads to a direct modification of SIDIS asymmetries generated at the parton level:  
Liang, Wang, and Zhou, PRD77 (2008) 125010,  
Gao, Liang and Wang PRC81, (2010) 065211
- we are building a representation of the SIDIS cross section on nucleon
  - which takes in account all angular modulations;
  - which implements the best knowledge accumulated so far in phenomenological analyses;
- observable benchmarks against HERMES data with target proton on:
  - multiplicities, pt-spectra,  $\langle \cos \phi \rangle$ ,  $\langle \cos 2\phi \rangle$ ,  $\langle \sin \phi \rangle$
- GOAL is to implement nuclear effects on the same observables

## SIDIS : reference frame and labels

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- We consider the semi-inclusive DIS reaction

$$e(\ell) + N(P) \rightarrow e(\ell') + h(P_h) + X(P_X),$$



- lab reference frame : virtual photon momentum defines the  $z$  axis
- DIS variables :  $x_B$ ,  $y$ , and  $Q^2$
- $z_h = E_h/\nu$ ,  $E_h$  energy of detected hadron in lab frame
- $\boldsymbol{P}_T$  : the transverse momentum of the detected hadron  $h$
- $\phi_h$  : azimuthal angle of the hadron vs lepton plane

## SIDIS cross section decomposition

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- The differential cross section of SIDIS for a longitudinally polarized beam with helicity  $\lambda_e$  scattered off an unpolarized hadron is generally expressed as

$$\frac{d\sigma}{dx_B dy dz d\phi dP_{h\perp}^2} = \frac{\alpha^2}{x_B y Q^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left(1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x_B}\right) \left\{ F_{UU,T} + \varepsilon F_{UU,L} + \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)} \cos\phi F_{UU}^{\cos\phi} \right. \\ \left. + \varepsilon \cos(2\phi) F_{UU}^{\cos 2\phi} + \lambda_e \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} \sin\phi F_{LU}^{\sin\phi} \right\}$$

- $\gamma = \frac{2Mx}{Q}$
- ratio of the longitudinal and transverse photon flux  $\varepsilon$  is defined as

$$\varepsilon = \frac{1 - y - \gamma^2 y^2 / 4}{1 - y + y^2 / 2 + \gamma^2 y^2 / 4}$$

## Convolutions in transverse space

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- In the parton model,  $F_{UU}$  and  $F_{LU}$  can be expressed as the convolutions of twist-2 and twist-3 TMD DFs and FFs

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}[wfD] = & x \sum_q e_q^2 \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_T \int d^2 \mathbf{p}_T \delta^2(z\mathbf{k}_T - \mathbf{P}_T + \mathbf{p}_T) \\ & \times w(\mathbf{k}_T, \mathbf{p}_T) f^q(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) D^q(z, \mathbf{p}_T^2) \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

- $\mathbf{p}_T$  : transverse momentum of the hadron with respect to the direction of the fragmenting quark
- $\mathbf{k}_T$  : intrinsic transverse momentum of the quark inside the nucleon
- $\mathbf{P}_T = z\mathbf{k}_T + \mathbf{p}_T$

## Structure functions: details

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- Relevant structure functions can be expressed as

$$F_{UU} = \mathcal{C}[f_1 D_1], \quad (2)$$

$$F_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h} = \frac{2M}{Q} \mathcal{C} \left[ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}_T \cdot \mathbf{p}_T}{z M_h} \left( x_B e H_1^\perp \right) + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}_T \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{M} \left( x_B g^\perp D_1 \right) \right], \quad (3)$$

- $e(x)$  and  $g^\perp(x)$  twist-3 distribution
- $H_1^\perp(z)$  and  $D_1(z)$  Collins and unpolarised FFs, respectively
- $M_h$  is the mass of the final-state hadron
- $\hat{\mathbf{P}}_T = \frac{\mathbf{P}_T}{P_T}$  with  $P_T = |\mathbf{P}_T|$ .
- similar for the other  $\phi$ -modulations

## The Cahn effect

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- Let assume a gaussian pt dependence
  - $f_q(x, k_\perp) = f_q(x) \frac{1}{\pi \langle k_\perp^2 \rangle} e^{-k_\perp^2 / \langle k_\perp^2 \rangle}$
  - $D_q^h(z, p_\perp) = D_q^h(z) \frac{1}{\pi \langle p_\perp^2 \rangle} e^{-p_\perp^2 / \langle p_\perp^2 \rangle}$
- Then convolutions can be performed analytically to give

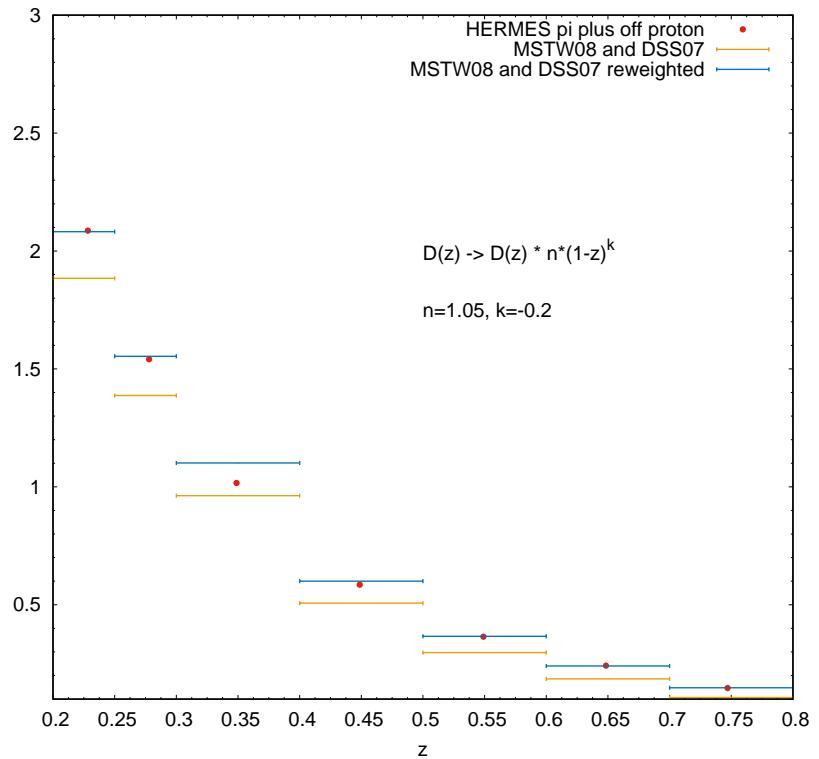
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d^5 \sigma^{\ell p \rightarrow \ell h X}}{dx_B \, dQ^2 \, dz_h \, d^2 \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{hT}}} &\simeq \sum_q \frac{2\pi\alpha^2 e_q^2}{Q^4} f_q(x_B) \, D_q^h(z_h) \left[ 1 + (1-y)^2 \right. \\ &\quad \left. - 4 \frac{(2-y)\sqrt{1-y} \, \langle k_\perp^2 \rangle \, z_h \, P_{hT}^2}{\langle P_{hT}^2 \rangle \, Q} \cos \phi_h \right] \frac{1}{\pi \langle P_{hT}^2 \rangle} e^{-P_{hT}^2 / \langle P_{hT}^2 \rangle}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\langle P_{hT}^2 \rangle = \langle p_\perp^2 \rangle + z_h^2 \langle k_\perp^2 \rangle.$$

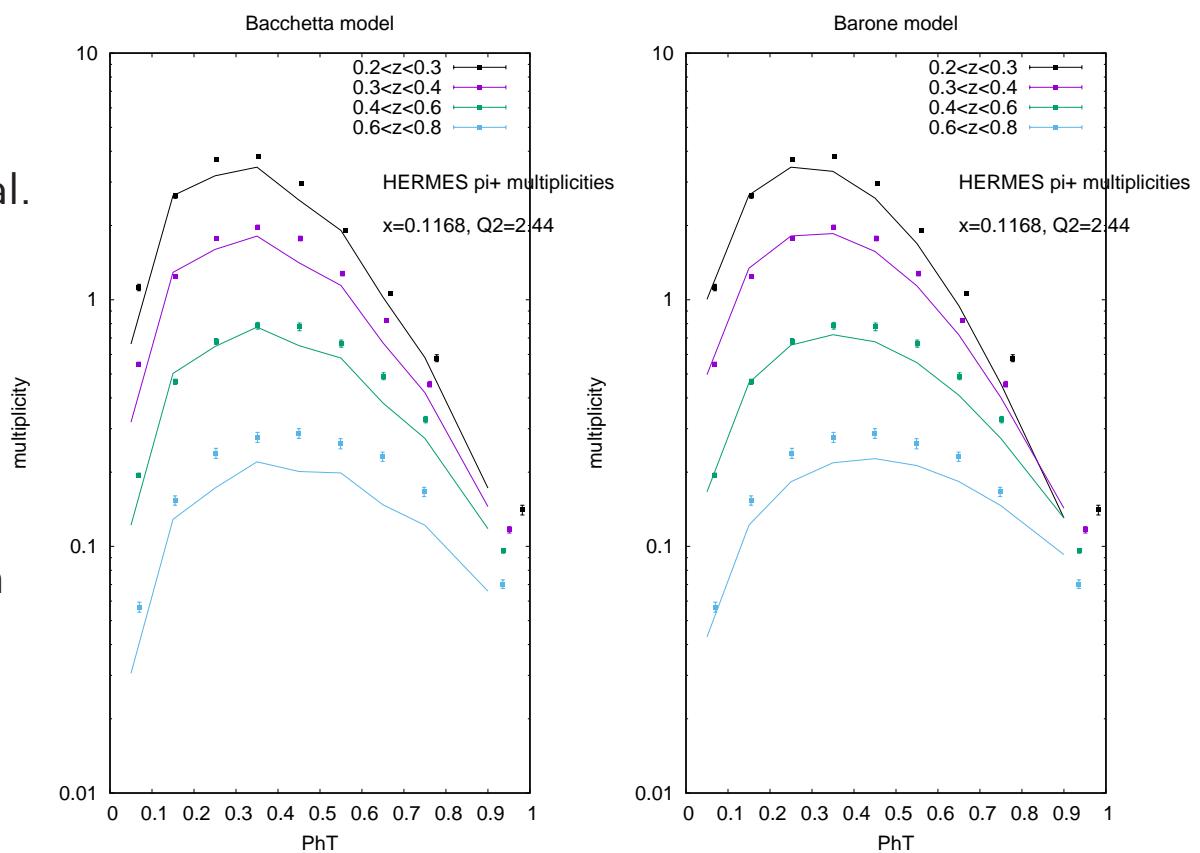
## HERMES Multiplicity

- HERMES :  $\pi^+$  production off proton
- $\frac{1}{\sigma_{DIS}} \frac{d\sigma}{dz}$
- Consider  $\frac{1}{\sigma_{DIS}} \frac{d\sigma}{dz}$
- MSTW08  $\otimes$  DSS07
- Multiplicities allow us to check if z-spectra are correctly reproduced
- Description not optimal, reweighting needed
- fragmentation in vacuum already problematic :-)



## HERMES $p_t$ -spectra

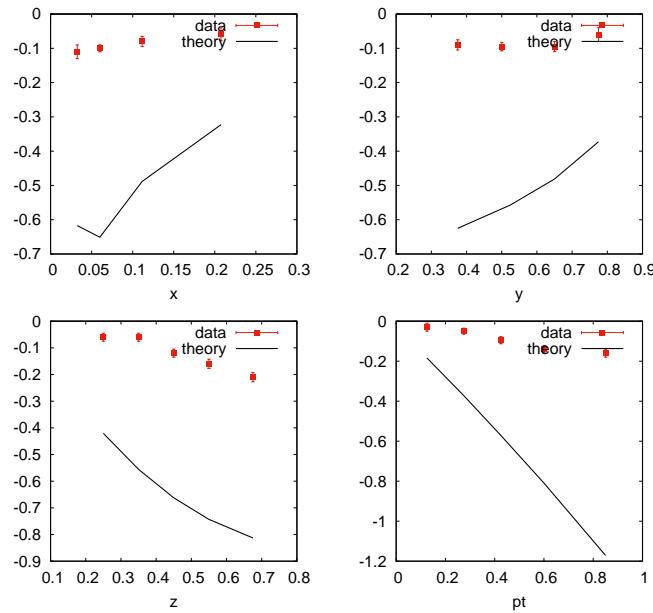
- Comparison to normalized  $p_t$ -spectra
- Left panel:  
model from Bacchetta et al.
- Right panel:  
model of Barone et al.
- $z < 0.7$  to cut  
exclusive production
- significant underestimation  
of the large  $z$  bin
- Widths are ok



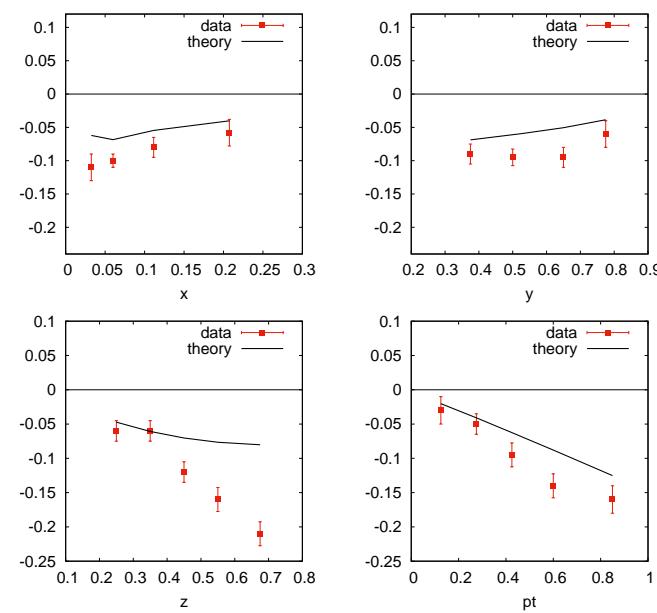
## HERMES $\cos(\phi)$ asymmetry

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Bacchetta model



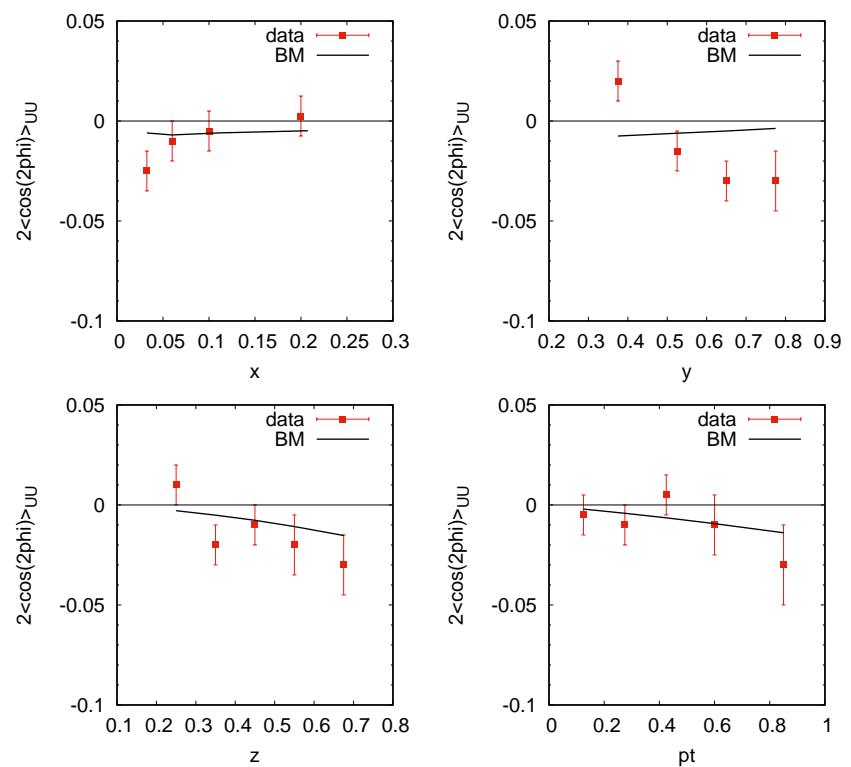
Barone model



- Reasonable description of  $p_t$ -spectra does not imply a good description of asymmetries  
→ large sensitivity to partonic transverse momenta.
- Here the agreement is recovered lowering  $\langle k_{\perp}^2 \rangle$

## HERMES $\cos(2\phi)$ asymmetry

- Asymmetry is leading twist
- $h_1^\perp(x) \otimes H_1^\perp(z)$
- $h_1^\perp(x)$  fitted:  
V. Barone et al.  
PRD 91 (2015) 7, 074019
- Collins function from  
M. Anselmino et al.,  
PRD87, 094019 (2013)



## From structure functions to the asymmetry

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The polarised structure function reads

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h} \approx & \frac{2Mx}{Q} \sum_{q=u,d} e_q^2 \int d^2 \mathbf{k}_T \left\{ \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}_T \cdot (\mathbf{P}_T - z\mathbf{k}_T)}{z M_h} \right. \\
 & \times \left[ x e^q(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) H_1^{\perp q} \left( z, (\mathbf{P}_T - z\mathbf{k}_T)^2 \right) \right] \\
 & \left. + \frac{\hat{\mathbf{P}}_T \cdot \mathbf{k}_T}{M} \left[ x g^{\perp q}(x, \mathbf{k}_T^2) D_1^q \left( z, (\mathbf{P}_T - z\mathbf{k}_T)^2 \right) \right] \right\}. \tag{4}
 \end{aligned}$$

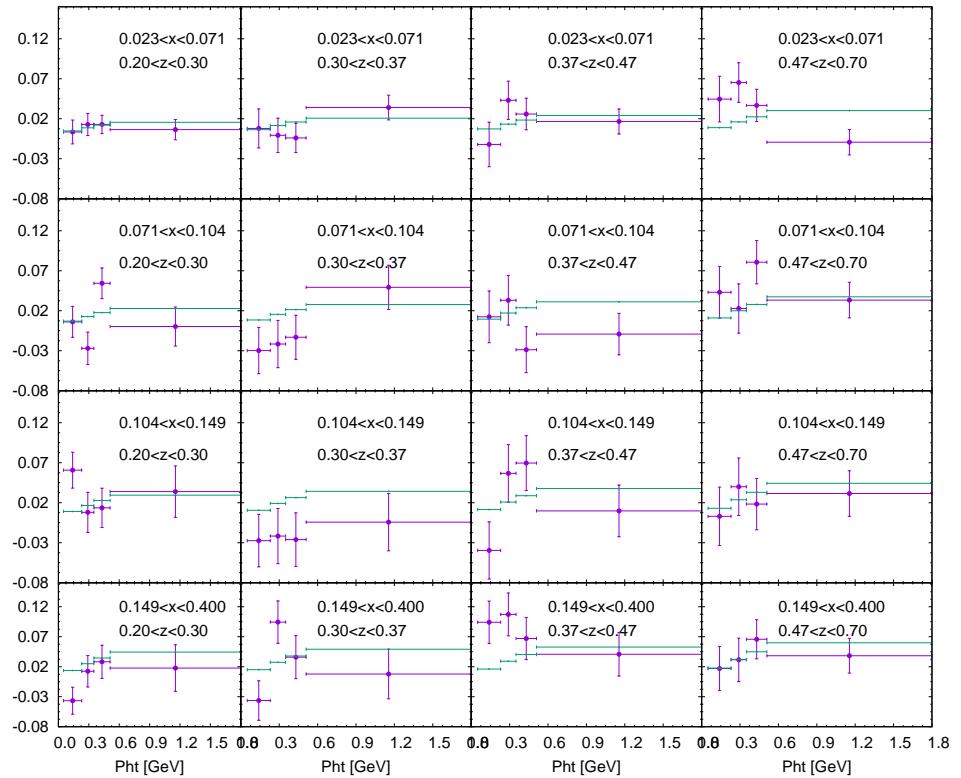
The beam SSA  $A_{LU}^{\sin \phi}$  as a function of  $P_T$  therefore can be written as

$$A_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h}(P_T) = \frac{\int dx \int dy \int dz \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}} \sqrt{2\varepsilon(1-\varepsilon)} F_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h}}{\int dx \int dy \int dz \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}} F_{UU}} \tag{5}$$

$$\text{with } \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{F}} = \frac{1}{xyQ^2} \frac{y^2}{2(1-\varepsilon)} \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma^2}{2x} \right). \tag{6}$$

# HERMES $A_{LU}^{\sin \phi_h}$

- Neglect  $g^\perp \otimes D_1$  term
- Gaussian transverse factor
- Assume :  $e(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - x)f_q(x)$
- on average, returns reasonable representation of data.
- under study:  
sensitivity to various parameters



## Summary

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- Phase 1
  - We have implemented all the  $\phi$ -modulations of the SIDIS cross section
  - The task is challenging since they depend on poorly known/unknown distributions and fragmentation functions.
- Phase 2
  - We are presently running benchmark to compare with HERMES data on proton target and recently published CLAS data
  - The study of the sensitivity to cuts and parameters is in progress
- Phase 3
  - Once completed phase 2, the goal is to extend the model in order to accommodate nuclear effects and compute predictions for next experiments